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Art Unit 1634

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Re: U.S. Divisional Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/697,079; Filed: October 27, 2000
For: **Methods and Compositions for Cloning Nucleic Acid Molecules**
Inventors: Fox et al.
Our Ref: 0942.4460002/RWE/BJD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
2. PTO Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
3. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$2226.00 to cover the appropriate fees;
4. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a);
5. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.121; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

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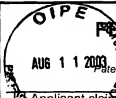
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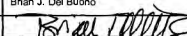
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